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MEMO FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Relationship Between IRC and WDICC.

1. Recently, Colonel Harvey Smith and Colonel Branham invited me to attend a meeting between them to discuss delimitation of responsibilities between the Intelligence Requirements Committee and the War Department Intelligence Collection Committee.

2. The problem concerned a sentence of the WDICC charter which reads: "Statements of intelligence information required for use of agencies of the War Department may be furnished the Chief, MIS, through any member of WDICC." The membership which other agencies already have in WDICC makes this a logical procedure. On the other hand, Colonel Branham and Colonel Smith were in complete agreement that such statements of information required were within the province of IRC. Hence it was agreed that this was the "common denominator" of the two committees and the point where their liaison must be closest.

3. I suggested that they might solve their problem by agreeing on a joint memo of instruction to their two secretariats. They decided to do this.

4. A joint memo, dated 28 July, was issued by Colonel Smith and Colonel Branham. The inclosed copy (filed with original of the W/R only) was furnished Group I for information and file.

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